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Classified By: (U) Political Counselor Scott Bellard  
for reasons 1.4(b) and (d).

11. (C) According to Department of Foreign Affairs Office of United Nations and International Organizations (UNIO) Director Gary Domingo, the Philippines would in principle be favorably disposed to a request to provide troops to a UN peacekeeping operation in Darfur. He pledged to engage in initial discussions with the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) about a possible contingent. He cautioned, however, that logistical shortfalls, specifically the need for trucks and other "hard" logistical requirements, could affect the size and composition of the unit. Domingo underscored that information about any outside assistance in meeting these needs could help speed a positive GRP decision.

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